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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following document be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AU Patent Abstracts of Japan 08187235, for Japanese Application

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EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

Reference AU was identified and discussed at page 4 of the present specification, and Applicants stand by the statements in the specification concerning the teachings of this reference.

A copy of Reference AU together with Form 1449 is submitted herewith.

Additionally, a translation of the underlying Japanese Application is provided herewith. This translation was provided by the German Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the counterpart German Application.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of Reference AU. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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